Core Curriculum for Mortality (Underlying Cause of Death) Coders

Please indicate which modules are covered by the submitted training materials by placing tick marks in the appropriate columns and indicate in what format materials are being submitted, e.g., print, CD-ROM. If an examination is also a part of the training, place an additional tick in the column. Materials should be sent to: American Health Information Management Association, Attention: Orlanthia Ewing, 233 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2150, Chicago, Illinois, 60601, USA, to arrive no later than April 8.

Name of training product: _____

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Knowledge Cluster (Training Module)	Enclosed	Format
1. Basic Medical Science *Intent: To develop an understanding of medical terminology that will be encountered in cause of death statements, the structure and function of the human body and the nature of disease.* 1.1 Examination		
2. Legal/Ethical issues relevant to the country in which coding is being done *Intent: To introduce legal and ethical issues applicable to health information, its collection and release.* 2.1 Examination		
3. General uses of underlying cause of death data *Intent: To explain the purposes for which underlying cause-of-death data are collected and how they are used.* 3.1 Examination		
4. Specific uses of underlying cause of death data *Intent: To introduce the specific uses of coded mortality data.* 4.1 Examination		
5. Users of mortality data *Intent: To explain the different groups and stakeholders who are users of mortality data.* 5.1 Examination		
6. Sources of Mortality Data *Intent: To explain the roles of the different persons responsible for reporting data on the deceased and the sources of that data.* 6.1 Examination		
7. The International Classification of Diseases (ICD) *Intent: To develop an understanding of the ICD and to develop the knowledge and skills that are necessary to assign valid codes for causes of death.* 7.1 Examination		
8. How to code *Intent: To provide detailed instruction and practical experience in how to apply the coding rules and assign codes.* 8.1 Examination		
9. Quality Assurance *Intent: To raise awareness about the various factors that influence the quality of coded data and describe techniques for assuring the highest quality data possible.* 9.1 Examination		